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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF QUOTE JOINT PRESS STATEMENT UNQUOTE
ISSUED ON CONCLUSION OF SEPT 26 BILATERAL TALKS:

--QUOTE THE DEFENSE DISCUSSIONS WERE CONTINUED IN
WASHINGTON ON SEPTEMBER 26 BETWEEN ICELANDIC FOREIGN
MINISTER, EINAR AGUSTSSON AND UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE
JOSEPH SISCO.

--QUOTE AGREEMENT WAS REACHED ON VARIOUS ADJUSTMENTS IN
THE OPERATION OF THE DEFENSE AGREEMENT OF 1951. A REDUC-
TION OF US MILITARY PERSONNEL WAS DECIDED AND CERTAIN
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FUNCTIONS WHICH SO FAR HAVE BEEN PERFORMED BY THEM WILL
BE TAKEN OVER BY ICELANDIC NATIONALS. IT WAS FURTHER
DECIDED THAT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE ALL MILITARY PERSONNEL
WOULD RESIDE WITHIN THE DEFENSE AREA. THERE WILL BE A
SEPARATION BETWEEN DEFENSE AND CIVIL AREAS AND THE UNITED
STATES WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE EXPENDITURES INVOLVED.

--QUOTE FURTHER DISCUSSIONS WITH REGARD TO THE DETAILED
IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE MATTERS WILL BE HELD IN REYKJAVIK.
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